

## Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA

## § 1430.504

year, subject to a maximum of 26,000 cwt per dairy operation.

*Farm Service Agency* or FSA means the Farm Service Agency of the Department.

*Fourth quarter of 1998* means the period from October 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998.

*Marketed commercially* means sold to the market to which the dairy operation normally delivers whole milk and receives a monetary amount.

*Milk handler* means the marketing agency to or through which the producer commercially markets whole milk.

*Milk marketing* means a marketing of milk for which there is a verifiable sales or delivery record of milk marketed for commercial use.

*Person* means any individual, group of individuals, partnership, corporation, estate, trust, association, cooperative, or other business enterprise or other legal entity who is, or whose members are, a citizen or citizens of, or legal resident alien or aliens in the United States.

*Secretary* means the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture or any other officer or employee of the Department who has been delegated the authority to act in the Secretary's stead with respect to the program established in this part.

*United States* means the 50 States of the United States of America, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

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### § 1430.503 Time and method for application.

(a) Dairy operations may obtain an application, Form CCC-1040 (Dairy Market Loss Assistance Program Payment Application), in person, by mail, by telephone, or by facsimile from any county FSA office. In addition, applicants may download a copy of the CCC-1040 at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/psd/>.

(b) A request for benefits under this subpart must be submitted on a completed Form CCC-1040. The Form CCC-1040 should be submitted to the county FSA office serving the county where

the dairy operation is located but, in any case, must be received by the county FSA office by the close of business on February 28, 2001. Applications not received by the close of business on February 28, 2001, will be disapproved as not having been timely filed and the dairy operation will not be eligible for benefits under this program.

(c) All persons who share in the milk production of a dairy operation that marketed milk during the fourth quarter of 1998 must certify on the same CCC-1040 in order to obtain the total milk production of the dairy operation before the application is complete.

(d) The dairy operation requesting benefits under this subpart must certify with respect to the accuracy and truthfulness of the information provided in their application for benefits. All information provided is subject to verification and spot checks by CCC. Refusal to allow CCC or any other agency of the Department of Agriculture to verify any information provided will result in a determination of ineligibility. Data furnished by the applicant will be used to determine eligibility for program benefits. Furnishing the data is voluntary; however, without it program benefits will not be approved. Providing a false certification to the Government is punishable by imprisonment, fines and other penalties.

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### § 1430.504 Eligibility.

(a) To be eligible to receive cash payments under this subpart, a dairy operation must:

(1) Have produced and marketed milk commercially in the United States anytime during the fourth quarter of 1998;

(2) Indicate all milk commercially marketed by all persons in the dairy operation during calendar year 1997 and 1998 to establish the base period for determining the total pounds of milk that will be converted to hundred-weight (cwt) used for payment; and

(3) Apply for payments during the application period.

(b) A dairy operation must submit a timely application and comply with all